

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY FIRE INVESTIGATION TASK FORCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Brown County Fire Investigation Task Force was held on Thursday, March 18, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., at the Allouez Fire Department, 135 Dauphin St., Green Bay, WI.

Present: John Gossage, Nick Craig, Tom Vandenack, Kevin Tielens, Glenn Deviley, Brad Muller, Jeff Roemer, Mark Wallace, Bob Kiser, Derek Beiderwieden

Excused: Dennis Kocken, Larry Mours, Rick Davidson

Absent: Jim Arts, Eric Dunning, Ed Janke, Jim Nickel, Kevin Heimerl, Larry Wilson, John Zakowski

Item #1. Adoption of Agenda.

Motion was made by Vandenack and seconded by Wallace to adopt the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Item #2. Approve Minutes of Meeting of January 14, 2010.

Motion was made by Vandenack and seconded by Wallace to approve the minutes of the last meeting. **Motion carried.**

Item #3. Report of Monthly Activities of the Fire Investigation Unit.

Muller reported that the fire investigation unit was called out to the following fires since the last meeting:

01-16-10 4560 Humboldt Rd., New Franken (residential/undetermined)
01-17-10 836 Kellogg St., Green Bay (multi-family/undetermined)
01-25-10 2110 Center St., Ashwaubenon (residential/undetermined)
02-02-10 1326 Parkview Rd., Ashwaubenon (business/undetermined)
02-21-10 3034 Kunesh Rd., Pittsfield (residential/arson)

Item #4. Report of General Membership President.

Muller reported that 20 members attended the last General Membership meeting. The bylaws committee will meet to review the bylaws. A committee was established to start soliciting funds for a new truck. The spring IAAI conference is June 8-10, 2010, in Stevens Point. Training consisted of evidence collection and the black light was demonstrated. The next meeting is set for May 27, 2010, at Ledgeview Fire Station #1.

Item #5. Old Business.

A. Dispositions of case proceedings.

Zakowski not present.

B. Status of county agreement with MABAS.

Nothing new to report.

Item #6. New Business.

A. Discuss number of yearly Board meetings.

Motion was made by Roemer and seconded by Beiderwieden to change the bylaws that the Board will hold its regular meetings three times a year—in January, May, and September—and special meetings can be called if needed. **Motion carried.**

B. Form bylaws committee.

Muller, Beiderwieden, and Vandenack volunteered to be on the bylaws committee. Muller mentioned that the General Membership already has a committee to review the bylaws and that these Board members can oversee it, if necessary.

Item #7. Report of Juvenile Firesetter Program Coordinator.

Craig reported that one case came in yesterday. He suggested calling him to make an appointment to go over how to use the safety house before taking it out.

Item #8. Other Matters.

Muller distributed the 2009 year-end report. The fire investigation unit was called out to investigate 28 fires of which 15 were accidental, 10 were arson, 2 were undetermined, and 1 is under investigation.

Muller brought up again about notifying the Brown County fire chiefs whose departments serve areas outside of Brown County that the task force can respond to those outlying areas. Gossage will check with corporation counsel on this.

Kiser received a General Membership intern application from Benjamin Hermans of the De Pere Fire Department. Motion was made by Kiser and seconded by Wallace to approve Hermans as an intern. **Motion carried.**

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Item #9. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting.

The next meeting was set for Thursday, May 20, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. at the Allouez Fire Department, 135 Dauphin Street, Green Bay, WI.

Item #10. Adjourn.

Motion was made by Roemer and seconded by Vandenack to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Laurent
Recording Secretary